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Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application are 2 sheets of formal drawings (Figs. 1-3).

The Official Draftsperson is asked to review the drawings and approve them for entry into the file. If there are any questions concerning the drawings, the Official Draftsperson is asked to call applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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